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For : A METHOD FOR TYPING POLYMORPHISMS OF BOVINE MHC  
CLASS II GENES

## SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Disclosure Statements filed March 26, 2001 and June 5, 2001, and pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

AIDA et al., "Identification of Tumor-Associated Antigen that is Expressed on Bovine Leukemia Virus-Induced Lymphosarcoma Cells and Expression of its Human Homologue in Human T-cell Lymphotropic Virus I-infected Cell Lines", Leukemia, Vol. 8, pp. 231-234 (1994); and

KOGUCHI et al. "Changes in the Distribution of Cells Expressing Tumor-Associated Antigen in Lymph Nodes during the Progression of Enzootic Bovine Leukosis" J. Compara. Pathol., Vol. 115, pp. 343-352 (1996).

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the documents cited above and to confirm such consideration by initialling in the appropriate spaces on the PTO-1449 form and returning a copy of the initialled form to Applicants. It is also requested that these documents be identified in the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application.

The disclosure of the above documents does not constitute an admission that any particular document is relevant or material to the claims, or is prior analogous art with respect to the present application. The citation of these documents is not to be construed as a representation that no better art exists, or that a search has been made.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the Merits has not issued in the instant application. However, if an Office Action on the Merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), to be charged to Applicants' Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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